

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) A molded breast pad for a brassiere, comprising:
one or more first layers being formed from a first material, said first material having a first loft associated therewith; and

one or more second layers being formed from a second material, said second material having a second loft associated therewith differing from that of said first material,

wherein the molded breast pad is molded such that a portion thereof is compressed so that said first loft and said second loft are substantially the same.

2. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 1, wherein said one or more first layers are situated intermediate at least two of said one or more second layers.

3. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 1, wherein said first material has elastomeric properties associated therewith.

4. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 3, wherein said second material has elastomeric properties associated therewith that differ from those of said first material.

5. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 1, wherein said first material has elastomeric properties that depend on said first loft such that the flexibility of said one or more first layers can be changed by manipulating the extent of said first loft.

6. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 1, wherein said compressed portion of the molded breast pad has different elastomeric properties than a remaining portion of the molded breast pad.

7. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 1, further comprising a line of demarcation separating said compressed portion from the rest of the molded breast pad.

8. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 7, wherein said line of demarcation is formed on a body contacting surface of the pad such that an opposing surface of the molded breast pad is substantially smooth.

9. (original) A brassiere having the molded breast pad of claim 1.

10. (original) A molded breast pad, comprising:
a first part having a relatively full loft; and
a second part having a loft relatively reduced from said loft of said first part,

wherein said first part and said second part are both formed from a material block having one or more first layers of a first material and one or more second layers of a second material.

11. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 10, wherein said one or more first layers are situated intermediate at least two of said one or more second layers.

12. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 10, wherein said first material has elastomeric properties associated therewith.

13. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 12, wherein said second material has elastomeric properties associated therewith that differ from said elastomeric properties of said first material.

14. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 10, wherein said first material has elastomeric properties that depend on the loft thereof such that the flexibility of said one or more first layers can be changed by manipulating or changing said loft.

15. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 10, wherein said second part has elastomeric properties that differ from said elastomeric properties of said first part.

16. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 10, further comprising a line of demarcation separating said first part from said second part.

17. (original) The molded breast pad of claim 16, wherein said line of demarcation is formed on a body contacting surface of the pad such that an opposing surface of the molded breast pad is substantially smooth.

18. (original) A brassiere having the molded breast pad of claim 10.

19. (original) A method of forming a molded breast pad, comprising the steps of:

providing a material block having one or more first layers of a first material and one or more second layers of a second material, said first material and said second material each having different lofts associated therewith;

positioning said material block in a molding apparatus such that said molding apparatus can interact with the material block;

causing said molding apparatus to interact with said material block to form one or more three-dimensional breast pads with a portion thereof being effected such that said portion has a relatively reduced loft,

wherein said reduced loft portion of said three-dimensional breast pad has elastomeric properties associated therewith that are distinct from a remaining portion of said three-dimensional breast pad.

20. (original) The method of claim 19, wherein each of said one or more three-dimensional breast pads has a line of demarcation separates said reduced loft portion from the rest of said three dimensional breast pad.